



State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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August 15, 2003

Steven Higgins, Chairman
Camp Fireside Board of Directors
49 Pond Hill Road
Barrington, NH 03867

LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 03-232
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Subject: Barrington – Camp Fireside, Pondhill Road
Groundwater Discharge Permit (DES #199907036)

Dear Mr. Higgins:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that Camp Fireside (permittee) owns and operates an unlined wastewater treatment lagoon. Pursuant to NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 1500, *Groundwater Discharge Permit and Registration Rules*, and successor rules, this facility made application and was issued a groundwater discharge permit (GWP-199907036-B-001) on January 23, 2002. The purpose of the permit is to assess groundwater quality and determine continued compliance with the applicable Ambient Groundwater Quality Standards.

As a condition of the permit, Camp Fireside was required to install three monitoring wells within 6 months of the issuance of the permit (Special Condition #15) and conduct groundwater sampling and analysis twice yearly. Additionally, the permittee was to submit as-built plans showing the monitoring well locations (Special Condition #14) and develop a groundwater contour map (Special Condition #16)

The DES records indicate that the actions required in the conditions of the permit described above have not been performed. The failure to satisfy these conditions places the facility in violation of Env-Ws 1500.

DES believes the violations can be corrected and future violations prevented by taking the following actions:

- By September 1, 2003**, submit a sample of lagoon wastewater for laboratory analysis. Parameters for analysis shall be ammonia, nitrate, and pH. Within 10 days of the completion of the laboratory analysis, send a copy of the results to DES.
2. **By December 31, 2003**, complete the installation and sampling of the three required monitoring wells, and submit to DES the required as-built plans showing the monitoring well locations and the groundwater contour map.

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In the event compliance is not achieved within these periods, DES may take further enforcement action, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties

All correspondence, documentation, and sampling analyses as requested should be addressed as follows:

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Please contact Mitchell Locker by e-mail at mlocker@des.state.nh.us, or by phone at (603) 271-2858 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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Water Supply Engineering Bureau

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